Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Wednesday 20 Sep 2023 until 23:59 on Thursday 21 Sep 2023

Forecast Issued on Wednesday 20 Sep 2023 at 02:47

Confidence: Moderate to high confidence for the generally changeable and autumnal feel. Moderate confidence in heaviest rainfall on Wednesday, and details of more showery end to the working week.

Headline for Wednesday 20 Sep 2023: Wet and windy, becoming drier later in the afternoon.

Mountain weather hazards on Wednesday 20 Sep 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms Low Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** High Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Cloudy	Partly cloudy (night)	Light rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
>95%	>95%	70%	40%	20%	40%

Forecast for Wednesday 20 Sep 2023

Weather: Another wet and windy day, with a band of heavy rain spreading eastwards during the early morning through to midday. Turning brighter and fresher behind later with a few showers possible, with a chance for these to be heavy and thundery late on. Very windy with gales, locally severe on higher summits, easing later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20% increasing to 80% by late afternoon.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive down to 500 metres with ragged patches below this through the morning. Becoming well-broken above higher summits through the afternoon. Poor to very poor visibility in low cloud and heavy rain, becoming good later in the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	37/46 S	32/43 SW	21/28 SW	23/30 SW	17/25 SW	15/22 SW	14/21 SW
300	22/44 SW	20/40 SW	13/26 SW	13/26 SW	9/21 SW	9/20 SW	8/19 SW
Valley	18/42 SW	17/39 SW	10/24 SW	11/24 W	8/20 SW	8/19 SW	6/18 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/7	14/8	11/8	11/7	10/6	8/5	8/5
300	15/11	15/12	14/12	14/12	12/10	10/8	9/7
Valley	15/12	16/13	15/13	15/13	12/11	11/9	10/8
Freezing Level*	3200m	3000m	2700m	2100m	1800m	1600m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Very strong winds at even modest elevation and extensive low cloud mean that activities are perhaps best confined to lower slope through the morning, with grounds well saturated and slippery underfoot given recent rainfall.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Wed 20 Sep 2023	27.8mm	33mm	42.4mm

Forecast for Thursday 21 Sep 2023

Weather: A brighter and fresher start with sunshine and scattered showers. Showers could turn increasingly heavy, carrying the risk of hail and thunder, continuing into the evening and overnight in the fresh breeze.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 20-25 mph. Easing later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 90%

Low cloud and visibility: Cloud bases above summits throughout, with good to very good visibilities, though dropping to poor in any heavy downpours.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 11 rising to plus 15 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 7 rising to plus 10 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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